



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg and the Omaha Police Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Larry Vega was found guilty by a United States District Court jury of Possession with Intent to Distribute 5 grams or more of methamphetamine after a two day jury trial before the Honorable Lyle E. Strom, United States Senior District Judge. The evidence presented at trial revealed that on January 22, 2010, the Omaha Police Department executed a search warrant on Larry Vega's south Omaha residence where they found 8.6 grams of ice methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia, drug scales, packaging materials, and a .22 caliber handgun.

Name of Defendant: Larry Vega

AKA:

Age: 32

City of residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Possession with Intent to Distribute 5 grams or more of Methamphetamine: 5-40 years imprisonment, up to a \$2,000,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, not less than 4 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: 8.6 grams of ice methamphetamine

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: January 22, 2010

Federal Arrest Date: March 22, 2010

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: March 17, 2010

Initial Appearance Date: March 26, 2010

Plea or Trial and Date(s): March 22-24, 2011

Sentencing Date: June 24, 2011

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: Sentencing June 24, 2011

Assigned Magistrate Judge: F.A. Gossett

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Taken into custody after jury verdict

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: Lyle E. Strom

Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release: TJK